HOME READING.

FOR THE BLOOMFIELD CITIZEN, THE HALF WELCOME GUEST. Into my heart the other day, There came an unknown guest; A wing'd boy with blinded eyes, Who fills me with unrest.

He quickly drove calm Friendship out, And flutters, kisses, smiles, I di I can think of naught but him-This Cupid and his wiles.

sometimes I wish he had not come-And that he'd go away-And then, so sweet the torment is, I fear he will not stay!

Simon Caftan. BY A. JELLINEK. |Translated Patterson Gregory.]

nes, lived in Wilna. He was extremely shape of crude correspondence or indispoor, a hard bench was his couch. One creet personalities. Poor John Keats great life work busied him day and night; never was more misused than when his was benevolence, the alleviation of letters to Funny Brewn were finally want and misery.

help and means of support to the poor paper, published his least and worst and sick be accomplished by one who fragments of verse. In a word, we can had nothing himself? But no! Simon get too much of a man as well as too litdevising plans and means to move others | tions concerning little and useless people.

With an unwavering perseverance he continued the collection and repeated his scriptures, all contained in three words, life,

But how was Simon Caftan supported?

Just as the Jewish philosopher Benedite Spinoza polished glasses, in order to be independent and to supply his simple wants: so our Simon Caftan, who was securified only with practical philosophy, prepared snuff in the evening, when the streets were empty, and carried it to his instances on p. 331, and is similarly carried forward, with supplementary notes and chapters, in order to make the work as the streets were empty, and carried it to his constructed by the same flavor.

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than twenty thousand people followed the man with the white caftan to his grave; and among the large population of Wilms, the speakers at the included white the death, and adds in another note (p. 10) that "matrimonial felicity seems to have been a blessing unfamiliar to the Lyttons in all generations."?

llussia, the man with the wonderful her memory. be while I magic formula, " Alms save from

way, were Scott, Byron and Campbell, way, were Scott, Byron and Campbell, and his greatest attraction was the story of such a battle as Waterloo. have worked a greater marvel; they softened, touched, and made humane, a

born the gospel of love. -S. S. Times.

* O'stan : A Persian or Turkish robe or vest-

LITERARY NOTES.

THE LIFE, LETTERS AND LITERARY REMAINS OF EDWARD BULWER, LORD LYTTON, by his Son, with portraits and I and II of the English edition. New York: Harper & Bros., 1884; pp. xix.

There is no more dangerous task in these times than the writing of a biogbehooves the author of any such literary work to see to it that their subject does not suffer from the reticence or the garrulousness of his friends. Where the life of Norman MacLeod was a model, and that of Charles Kingsley showed immense skill in avoiding difficulties, the various publications respecting Thomas Carlyle from the German by Rachael have, per contra, nearly or quite destroyed paraded and when relic-hunters, with a But how could this work of giving more than Chinese zeal for every scrap of

counsel which he followed with great us. Bulwer was not a great man-and bravery and self-possession. He bought, surely he was not a great novelist. He namely, a collection-box; grasping it with was, like D'Israeli, a combination of mana firm hand, he passed through the of-the-world and man-of-letters. One 12; Toledos, 7; Washingtons, 30; Wilstreets and alleys of Wilna, and stretched doubts his sincerity and is but little mingtons, 13, and Williamsburgs, 28.-N. toward each person who he met, chanting the refrain, "Zedoko tazil mimowes,"
Alms save from death." With this a graphic power in description which might well be coveted by other novelists,

There seems to be universal regret on hoped to storm the hearts, soften the such as "The Last Days of Pompeil," and reason have been deemed necessary and some made sport of this whim
The best between the part of our citizens that it should for such as "The Last Days of Pompeil," any reason have been deemed necessary "Pelham," "Rienti," and "What Will to cut down those grand old trees on the part of our citizens that it should for any reason have been deemed necessary to be universal regret on the part of our citizens that it should for any reason have been deemed necessary to cut down those grand old trees on the part of our citizens that it should for any reason have been deemed necessary to cut down those grand old trees on the part of our citizens that it should for any reason have been deemed necessary to cut down those grand old trees on the part of our citizens that it should for any reason have been deemed necessary to cut down those grand old trees on the part of our citizens that it should for any reason have been deemed necessary to cut down those grand old trees on the part of our citizens that it should for any reason have been deemed necessary to cut down those grand old trees on the part of our citizens that it should for any reason have been deemed necessary to cut down those grand old trees on the part of our citizens that it should for any reason have been deemed necessary to cut down those grand old trees on the part of our citizens that it should for any reason have been deemed necessary to cut down those grand old trees on the part of our citizens that it should for any reason have been deemed necessary to cut down those grand old trees on the part of our citizens that it should for any reason have been deemed necessary to cut down those grand old trees on the part of our citizens that it should for any reason have been deemed necessary the part of our citizens that it should for any reason have been deemed necessary to cut down those grand old trees on the part of our citizens that it should for any reason have been deemed ne sincere approval of the critic. His of Chas. M. Davis, The deed is done "Lady of Lyons," "Richelieu," and and cannot be undone. Before anything "Money" have been plays whose popusition Caftan was a brave hero, who did

iradually the laughing was hushed, the One principal feature of interest in this them. biography is the fact that it is a story of the biography is the biography is pathy, then with respect, then with man of literary skill and of distinguished Holy Scriptures to his congregation, man of interary skin and of distinguished place under government—is writing about his father. The glint of the golden guineas mellows this light—and the atmosphere of country houses and high mismowes," became gradually associety can be left throughout it. It is not interesting to hear much about hands and feet and faces, and the infinity of small details of domestic life, except when the nobs condescend to open the back window and let the snobs peer in and listen. But the race of snobs has multiplied since the days of Thackeray, and this short text had accomplished the absence of the people, so that not interesting to hear much about hands and feet and faces, and the infinity of small details of domestic life, except when the nobs condescend to open the back window and let the snobs peer in and listen. But the race of snobs has multiplied since the days of Thackeray, and accomplished the absence of the people, so that not interesting to hear much about hands and feet and faces, and the infinity of small details of domestic life, except when the nobs condescend to open the back window and let the snobs peer in and listen. But the race of snobs has multiplied since the days of Thackeray, and accomplished the absence of the people, so that interesting to hear much about hands and feet and faces, and the infinity of small details of domestic life, except when the nobs condescend to open the back window and let the snobs peer in and listen. But the race of snobs has multiplied in the eyes of the people, so that interesting to hear much about hands and feet and faces, and the infinity of stake, found the right place, and added—"that I am over two leaves and continued—"an ass, the foal of an ass "—then, seeing his missake, found the right place, and added—"that I am over two leaves and continued—"an ass, the foal of an ass "—then, seeing his missake, found the right place, and added—"that I am over two leaves and continued—"an ass, the foal of an ass "—then, seeing his missake, found the right place, and added—"that is not interesting to hear much about hands and feet and faces, and the infinity of stake, found the right place, and added—"that is not interesting to hear much about hands and feet and faces, and the infinity of stake, f and his short text had accomplished the America is ready enough to grasp after and his short text had accomplished the winder by which he was able yearly to distribute forty thousand rubles among the poor. Was he not the richest Jew in his fatherland? Which of his companions in the faith, no matter what their possessions, could be placed alongside of him? Who of the rich Russian Jews was in a position to spend forty thousand rubles every year for the poor of a single will serve admirably well—as well, indeed, as Fielding or Smollett, and with some as Fielding or Smollett, and with some-

chapters, in order to make the work as symmetrical as possible. Bulwer shows no fear of scandal in retailing the lives of his ancestors, and certainly his son has hear from his lives fro repeated at this burial. The news of his parents. We might have expected it when Berry, Sue denth filled all Wilna, without regard to difference in belief, with sorrow; and the greatest honors were shown the deceased, although he was not only poor but uncluded and the deceased.

The news of his parents. We might have expected it when we found (p. 7) that William Earle Bulwer Blackburn, Sarah Edward Bulwer's father and Robert's grandfather) had eloped with "a young person of great beauty," a teacher in a boarding school and "though too boarding school and "though t Sword and hat ornament the bier of a haughty a man to marry beneath him. military officer of high rank; the coffin he had at least justice enough to say Francis, Samuel that, while she lived, he would never of the common that, while she lived, he would never of the carried before the dead Simon that an order of the present biographer in the common that all the common that the common that, while she lived, he would never that the she would never that the

of Wilna, the speakers at memorial services were heard quoting the numerous passages from the Talmud and Midalmost unique pleasure. Herein the Mystic Wonders Lyttons sit, superior to praise or blame, rash about benevolence, and applying them to Simon Caftan. His Jewish heart stood still. He left nothing behind him but empty mite-boxes, which should be careless of the world below. The history is a family one—and the most touching tilled still after his death. The fairy-tale: Tischen, deck' dich."—"Table, be Laden, was verified in a like manner by him. One spoke but the words, "Alms for Simon Caftan," and the boxes were lady is mercifully kept from us (for a wonder!); but as we read that she was Murawiew, the bloody bandit of Po- hurried into an unwelcome marriage and died of grief and regret three years later, while Bulwer to his latest day cherished

As we go on with him to Cambridge, we see that Rousseau Cervantes, and that class of writers are helping to form his style; as association with men like Praed and similar flaneurs is helping to form his estimate of society. He begins to exhibit the regulation polish and the regulation cynicism, which his and the regulation cynicism. we see that Rousseau, Cervantes, and

The marriage of Bulwer to Miss Rosina newly opened establishment by the press of The tirceks boast of Orpheus, that his Wheeler was contrary to his widowed moved stones and tamed animals, mother's wishes. Robert Bulwer Lytton but the silent features of Simon Caftan deals with it as well as he can. On p. to the public, 457 he styles the marriage "ill omened," and adds that it was "imprudent and un happy." It certainly made the very response met with by our greatest difference in his father's life. ery of Jews, in whose Jewish hearts is From being an amateur writer he became him at a time when he would have

self financially. The present volume leaves Bulwer at the age of 28. It is enriched with many Wen't you come in the parlor and sit family portraits, and reproductions of and pledge our best efforts, in the interest of Minnesota Patent Flour little while, George?" "N-no, I guess letters and other doenments, and is very "I finely classified and arranged. What the our customers, to henceforth supply the very finely classified and arranged. What the our customers, to henceforth support to do he has done well. His impartial style may not strike us pleasantly in reference may not strike us pleasantly in re to his parents' acts and opinions, but it bespeaks him as a safe historian of his father's career.

Too Many B's.

The late Mr. Justice Byles, an English magistrate of reputation, took down his notes of evidence in short-hand, and thus was able to hurry through a docket with ease. A few years before he retired his hand grew less steady, and his stenography frequently was indecipherable after he had laid it by for a time. At Bristol he found himself once entirely conquered by his manuscript, and after PURE DRUGS. some attentive considering and guess-There is no more dangerous task in these times than the writing of a biog-work, he looked up and said: "Well, bring in the baby." "There is no baby, none have yet been made. Therefore it behooves the author of any such literary behooves the author of any such literary Justice Byles. "There are no vowels, of course; but I am sure the word is baby.' Go and fetch the baby." The perplexed functionary had started for the door of the retiring room when his Worship called: "Ah! Oh! that is-stop officer! The fact is I want the policeman mentioned in the case. I wrote Patterson Gregory.]
our love for the man. Biographers sin the word "policeman," "bobby," as it was a shorter word, and familiar, quite familiar."

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It is not a matter of so much surprise that 4,000,000 letters should annually go. astray in this country when one considers instance, there are in the United States NUT SIZE, 9 Philadelphias and 8 Pittsburgs, while FURNACE SIZE, - - 5.75 l'affau had one priceless treasure; a Jew- tle, and the modern error is that which the record of the other cities are as folsh heart, -a tender, merciful heart, that inclines to be too much. For one such lows: Brooklyns, 18; Bostons, 11; Balticould not rest while some were starving, charming work as Lady Holland's life of mores, 5; Buffaloes 16; Burlingtons, 17; freezing, sick, or forsaken by father and her father, Sidney Smith, we have any Charlestons, 17; Chicagos, 4; Cincinnatis, mother; and at the same time skillful in number of puerile and trivial produc- 8; Clevelands, 10; Columbuses, 19; Day devising plans and means to move others tions concerning little and useless people.

These remarks are properly preliminary to such a book as this which lies before tons, 25; Detroits, 5; Indianapolises, 2; Louisvilles, 15; Lowells, 15; Membeart, his sole possession, gave him to such a book as this which lies before phises, 8; Milwaukees, 3; Nashvilles, 14; Omahas, 5; Portlands, 24; Quincys. 15; Richmonds, 22; Springfields, 25; St. Josephs, 15; St. Louises, 4; St. Pauls.

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for she is ever flying; more eager, for she is ever assailing; more cautelous, being ever prying; more tyrannous, being ever raging; or more remorseless, being ever devouring .- Ric. Braithwait (1625).

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